Financial assistance to Maharashtra

2991. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of financial assistance provided to Maharashtra by the Central Govt. during the last three years;

(b) whether the Central Government has received any request from the State Government of Maharashtra for more financial assistance to fund its developmental projects;

(c) if so, the details there of; and

(d) the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Central Government for providing financial assistance to Maharashtra?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) A Statement containing details of Central Assistance (plan and non-plan) released by Ministry of Finance to the state of Maharashtra during the last three years is given in Statement (*See* below).

(b) to (d) Ministry of Finance has not received any request from the State Government of Maharashtra for more financial assistance to fund its developmental projects for 2008-09.

Planning Commission also has not received any fresh proposal from the State of Maharashtra for consideration with respect to financial assistance under annual plan 2008-09. However, during Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission and Chief Minister, Maharashtra level discussions for finalizing the Annual Plan of the State for 2007-08, Central Assistance to the tune of Rs. 110 crores for development of infrastructure for Commonwealth Youth Games in Pune was agreed to. Subsequently, Additional Central Assistance of Rs. 150 crores was released to Maharashtra in 2007-08 taking into account the cost escalation of creating the necessary infrastructure.

Statement

Details of Central Assistance to the State of Maharashtra

Plan Scheme *(Rs. in crores)*

Sl.No.	Name of Scheme/Year	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
1.	Accelerated Irrigation Benefits programme	184.31	463.72	972.25
2.	Accelerated Power Development Programme	80.78	77.77	0.00
3.	Additional Central Assistance for Externally Aided Projects	470.03	494.47	381.06
4.	National Social Assistance Programme i/e Annapurna	102.34	222.14	201.99
5.	Normal Central Assistance	352.84	408.03	420.24
6.	Special Central Assistance-Hill Areas	18.95	29.44	29.44
7.	National E-Governance Plan	18.05	0.00	21.02
8.	Nutrition Programme for Adolescent Girls	6.13	6.27	6.27
9.	A.C.A. for other projects	0.00	62.11	59.91
10.	A.C.A. for Externally aided B2B	135.63	5.13	36.58
11.	Jawahar Lal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission	22.20	874.70	911.15
12.	Brihan Mumbai Storm Water Drain Project	0.00	0.00	400.00
13.	Commonwealth Youth Games Pune	0.00	0.00	150.00
	TOTAL :	1391.26	2643.78	3589.91

Non Plan Scheme *(Rs. in Crores)*

Sl.No.	Name of Scheme/Year	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
1.	Investment in Special State Govt. Securities	15733.48	9277.48	2188.01
2.	Corporation Tax	1303.70	1879.72	2411.11
3.	Income Tax	919.00	1141.46	1618.31
4.	Other taxes on Income and Expenditure	-0.27	-0.31	-0.12
5.	Taxes on Wealth	2.57	2.37	2.68
6.	Customs	920.53	1174.70	1436.00
7.	Union Excise duties	1228.45	1247.37	1370.85
8.	Service Tax	348.21	577.83	758.64
9.	Other Taxes and duties on Commodities and Services	-0.38	-0.38	-.9.29
10.	Assistance to State Govt. from N.C.C.F.	657.25	589.90	168.92
11.	Contribution to Calamity Relief Fund	167.18	220.00	47.70
12.	Grants for Local Bodies	198.30	699.57	475.70
13.	Grants in Aid for Maintenance for Roads and Bridges	0.00	297.42	148.71
14.	Grants In-Aid for maintenance of Public Buildings	0.00	55.90	27.95
15.	Maintenance of Forests	7.00	0.00	14.00
16.	Grant in-aid for Heritage Conservation	0.00	12.50	12.50
17.	State Specific Needs	0.00	75.00	70.00
	TOTAL:	21485.02	17250.53	10750.67
	GRAND TOTAL:	22876.28	19894.31	14340.57

Allocation of Financial Resources to States

2992. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Centre allocated financial resources to the State, both under non-plan and plan grants;

(b) whether it is also a fact that while allocating funds to the States, Government takes into account the size of Schedule Cast population in the States;

(c) if so, whether while allocating financial resources, the 28.5 per cent SC population in Punjab will be considered, and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) Yes, Sir. The plan grants covering central assistance for State Plan are allocated by the Planning Commission. As regards non-plan grants, Finance Commissions set up by the Government of India from time to time, allocate non-plan grants to the States based on assessment of needs and developmental concerns of the States.

(b) to (d) The allocation by the Planning Commission is made only under the Gadgil-Mukherjee formula for Normal Central Assistance, Special Central Assistance for Hill Area Development Programme/Western Ghats Development Programme. These allocations do not include the size of scheduled caste population as part of the criteria.